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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MES-
SAGE

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM THE PRESIDENT
TO PRESIDENT CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S FOURTH OF JULY GREETINGS:
QUOTE: HIS EXCELLENCY CHIANG KAI-SHEK, PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF CHINA, TAIPEI.

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE CONGRATULATING US ON
OUR ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE. RICHARD M. NIXON
UNQUOTE.

2. NEITHER THE WHITE HOUSE NOR THE DEPARTMENT PLAN TO
RELEASE THE TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY, BUT THERE
IS-NO OBJECTION TO THE R RELEASING IT.

3. FYI. THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT CHIANG'S MESSAGE FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: HIS EXCELLENCY RICHARD M. NIXON, PRESIDENT OF
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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC
OF CHINA I WISH TO EXTEND TO YOU AND THE GOVERNMENT AND
PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OUR HEARTFELT

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE 198TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I ENTERTAIN EVERY
HOPE THAT THE TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN
OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL BE FURTHER CONSOLIDATED WITH
THE PASSAGE OF TIME AND THAT THROUGH CONTINUED COOPERA-
TION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES THE CAUSE OF PEACE WITH
JUSTICE WILL BE FURTHER ADVANCED. CHIANG KAI-SHEK,
PRESIDENT, REPUBLIC OF CHINA. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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